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In re Application of

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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING CERAMIC BODY

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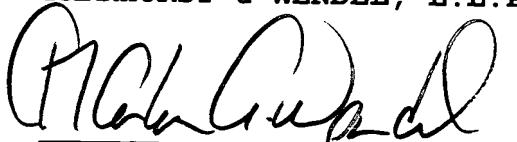
Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Declaration of the inventors with proof that the subject matter of instant claims 1 to 6 was invented before May 12, 2000. The USPTO is asked to consider the Declaration with the concurrently filed Information Disclosure Statement.

An early examination of the case is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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